

## Message Text

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R 062118Z AUG 75

FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 4749

AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

UNCLAS PANAMA 4763

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AGAO

SUBJECT: GAO VISIT

FROM: GEORGE L. DE MARCO, DIRECTOR, LATIN AMERICAN BRANCH/GAO

REF: DE MARCO LETTER OF JULY 29, 1975 TO AMBASSADOR SHLAUDEMEN

(1) THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE IS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF REVIEWING AND EVALUATING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE VARIOUS AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL HAS ASSIGNED THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES INVOLVING INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO HIS INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.

(2) TO CARRY OUT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE LATIN AMERICAN AREA, THE OFFICE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED A LATIN AMERICAN BRANCH IN PANAMA CITY, PANAMA. I HAVE RECENTLY ARRIVED IN PANAMA AS THE BRANCH DIRECTOR AND AM MAKING AN EFFORT TO MEET WITH THE PRINCIPAL UNITED STATES OFFICIALS IN THE AREA FOR WHICH THE BRANCH WILL HAVE AUDIT RESPONSIBILITY.

(3) I BELIEVE THAT AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO U.S. PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES IN VENEZUELA WOULD BE OF VALUE. FROM OUR VANTAGE POINT, AUGUST 27, 1975, WOULD BE A GOOD DATE FOR THE PROPOSED VISIT.

(4) PENDING YOUR CONFIRMATION I TENTATIVELY PLAN TO ARRIVE CARACAS FROM BOGOTA ON AUG 26 AT 8:00 P.M. ON VA 735. IF AGREEABLE PLEASE

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ARRANGE FOR A SINGLE ROOM FOR AUG. 26 AND TRANSPORTATION FROM

AIRPORT. PLEASE CONFIRM.

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